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CLOCKS MOVE FORWARD THREE WEEKS EARLIER

VICTORIA – British Columbians are reminded that daylight saving time will start this Sunday, March 11, and end Nov. 4, 2007.

"These extra four weeks of daylight saving time will ensure that British Columbia remains synchronized with other Canadian provinces and our biggest trading partner, the United States," Attorney General Wally Oppal said. "The extra daylight in the evening is welcome, according to the overwhelming response we received to our public consultation, and so is the small but measurable decrease in energy usage."

Exceptions will be areas that have historically chosen to observe different time zones. The Peace River region does not observe daylight saving time, so its clocks will not change. The East Kootenay region observes mountain time and will continue to synchronize its clocks with Alberta.

The provincial regulation changing the dates British Columbia observes daylight saving time was approved in 2006 and took effect Jan. 1, 2007.

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1 backgrounder(s) attached.

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